In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as indicated below.

1. (Currently Amended) A method of placing a transponder or an integrated circuit contained in the transponder in an inventory in a communication station, the method comprising: wherein

<u>activating</u> an inventory-making process is activated in the transponder or in its integrated circuit; s, in which inventory making process

<u>identifying</u> a part of a distinguishing dataset <u>that is stored in</u> of the transponder or its integrated circuit, <u>the which</u> distinguishing dataset <u>being</u> is stored in storage means of the transponder or its integrated circuit and is characteristic for the transponder or its integrated circuit; ; is read from the storage means by using a hash value, and in which inventory-making process

using the hash value, accessing the part of the distinguishing dataset;

selecting a transmission parameter is selected from a set of transmission

parameters by using the accessed part that was read from the distinguishing dataset; [[,]] and in which inventory-making process

using the selected transmission parameter, transmitting an identifying dataset for the transponder or its integrated circuit to the communication station to place the transponder or its integrated circuit in the inventory in the communication station, the which identifying dataset being is characteristic for the transponder or its integrated circuit and is intended for the placing of the transponder or its integrated circuit in an inventory, is transmitted from the transponder or its integrated circuit to the communication station by using the selected transmission parameter, characterized in that the hash value is generated in the transponder or in its integrated circuit by means of hash-value generating means that are provided in the transponder or in its integrated circuit.

2. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that, in the inventory-making process, a time slot is selected from a time-slot sequence by using the

accessed part of the distinguishing dataset that has been read out, and in that, in the inventory-making process, the identifying dataset for the transponder or its integrated circuit is transmitted from the transponder or its integrated circuit to the communication station by using the selected time slot.

- 3. (Previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the hash value is generated by means of a hash-value counting stage provided in the transponder or in its integrated circuit.
- 4. (Previously presented)A method as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that the hash-value counting stage is set to a preset starting hash value after a power-on reset in the transponder or in its integrated circuit.
- 5. (Previously presented)A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the hash value is generated by means of a random number generator provided in the transponder or in its integrated circuit.
- 6. (Currently Amended) An integrated circuit for a transponder, the which integrated circuit comprising: contains

process-controlling <u>circuitry configured to control</u> means that are intended for <u>eontrolling</u> an inventory-making process for placing the integrated circuit or the transponder containing the integrated circuit in an inventory in a communication station; and which integrated circuit contains

a memory circuit configured storage means that are intended firstly to store a distinguishing dataset of the integrated circuit or the transponder containing the integrated circuit, the which distinguishing dataset being is characteristic for the integrated circuit or the transponder containing the integrated circuit, and secondly to store an identifying dataset of the integrated circuit or the transponder containing the integrated circuit, the which identifying dataset being is characteristic for the integrated circuit or the transponder containing the integrated circuit and is intended for placing the

integrated circuit or the transponder containing the integrated circuit in an inventory; ; and which integrated circuit includes

a hash-value generating circuit configured to generate a hash value that identifies a part of the distinguishing dataset stored in the memory circuit;

transmission-parameter selecting means <u>for receiving that are intended firstly to</u> receive a <u>the</u> part of the distinguishing dataset that is read from the <u>memory circuit</u> storage means by using the hash value[[,]] and <u>for calculating secondly to select</u> a transmission parameter from a set of transmission parameters by using the part of the distinguishing dataset; <u>and that has been received</u>, which

transmission circuitry configured to use the selected transmission parameter to transmit is suitable for transmitting, from the integrated circuit to the communication station, the identifying dataset from the integrated circuit to the communication station to place that is intended for placing the integrated circuit or the transponder containing the integrated circuit in the an inventory in the communication station, characterized in that hash-value generating means for generating the hash value are provided in the integrated circuit.

- 7. (Currently Amended) A circuit as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that the integrated circuit contains, as transmission-parameter selecting means includes a [[,]] time-slot selecting stage that is configured means, which time-slot selecting means are designed to select a time slot from a time-slot sequence, and the transmission circuitry configured to transmit the identifying dataset during the which selected time slot is suitable for transmitting, from the integrated circuit to the communication station, the identifying dataset intended for the placing of the integrated circuit or the transponder containing the integrated circuit in an inventory.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A circuit as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that the hash-value generating circuit includes means provided in the integrated circuit are implemented with the help of a hash-value counting staged.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A circuit as claimed in claim 8, further comprising characterized

in that a power-on-rest circuit <u>configured</u> is provided that is designed to generate a power-on-reset signal at a power-on reset of the integrated circuit and <u>to provide the power-on-rest signal to that cooperates with</u> the hash-value counting stage <u>to set</u>, and in that the hash-value counting stage <u>can be set</u> to a starting hash value <u>by means of the power-on-reset signal</u>.

- 10. (Currently Amended) A circuit as claimed in claim 9 [[6]], <u>further comprising</u> characterized in that the hash-value generating means provided in the integrated circuit are implemented with the help of a random number generator <u>configured to generate the starting hash value</u>.
- 11. (Currently Amended) A transponder comprising:, characterized in that the transponder (1) is provided with

an integrated circuit as claimed in claim 6; and a transmission coil connected to the integrated circuit.